HOW A' RAILROAD JOURNEY AFFECT-ED A HIGH BRED HACKNEY.

Bonfire's Trip to the Horse Show and Why It Ended So Disastrously-Terrifying Ride In a Wheeled Box After a Hothouse Training.

The story of what happened to a high bred hackney when he was sent ty rail to the Madison Square Garden horse show is told by Sewell Ford in "Horses Nine." Bonfire was the backney's name, but he did not look at all flery at the moment. The author says

In his stomach was a queer feeling which he did not at all understand. In his head was a dizziness which made him wish that the stall would not move about so. Streaks of pain shot along his backbone and slid down his legs. Hot and cold flashes swept over his body, for Bonfire had a bad case of car sickness-a malady differing from seasickness largely in name only -also a well developed cold complicated by nervous indigestion.

Tuned to the key, he had left the home stables. Then they had led him into that box on wheels, and the trouble had begun. Men shouted; bells clanged; whistles shricked. Bonfire felt the box start with a jerk and, thumping, rumbling, jolting, swaying, move somewhere off into the night.

In an agony of apprehension-neck stretched, eyes staring, ears pointed. nostrils quivering, legs stiffened-Bonfire waited for the end. But of end there seemed to be none. Shock after shock Bonfire withstood and still found himself waiting. What it all meant he could not guess. There were the other horses that had been taken with him of the marvelous accuracy some men into the box, some placidly munching | nequire in the use of whips. I suppose hay, others looking curiously about. the Eskimo has reached a higher stand-There were the familiar grooms who and of proficiency in this respect than talked soothingly in his ear and patted his neck in vain. The terror of the boys of this race pop a silver half dime thing, this being whirled noisily away in a box, had struck deep into Bonfire's they swung a whip. They can simply brain, and he could not get it out. So he stood for many hours, neither eat- as it is within reach of the whip. But ing nor sleeping, listening to the here in the south I have seen ox cart noises, feeling the motion and trembling as one with ague.

Of course it was absurd for Bonfire to go to pieces in that fashion. You it."-New Orleans Times-Democrat. can ship a Missouri Modoc around the world, and he will finish almost as sound as he started. But Bonfire had blood and breeding and a pedigree which went back to Lady Alice of Burn Brue Yorkshire.

His coltdom had been a sort of hothouse existence, for Lochlynne, you know, is the toy of a Pennsylvania coal baron who breeds hackneys not for profit, but for the joy there is in it, just as other men grow orchids and build cup defenders. At the Lochlynne stables they turn on the steam heat in November. On rainy days you are exercised in a glass roofed tan bark ring. and hour after hour you are handled over deep straw to improve your action. You breathe outdoor air only in high fenced grass paddocks, around which you are driven in surcingle rig by a cockney groom imported with the pigskin saddles and British condition powders. From the day your name is written in the studbook until you judgment to keep silent.-La Bruyere. leave you have balanced feed, all wool blankets, fly nettings and coddling that | it and happier to be sometimes cheatnever ceases. Yet this is the method that rounds you into perfect hackney form.

All this had been done for Bonfire and with apparent success, but a few hours of railroad travel had left him with a set of nerves as tensely strung as those of a high school girl on graduation day. That is why a draft of cold air had chilled him to the bone; that is why, after reaching the Garden, he had gone as limp as a cut rose at a ball.

The Music of Thunder.

The bass of thunder is considerably lower than the lowest sound produced music, we call it, at which all positive and our senses are merely conscious of a roar. In observing the music of thunder our attention, however, may be most profitably directed to the expression rather than to the notes. The musical diminuendo is more perfectly represented by thunder than by any other form of sound in nature. After the first clap is over the ear will pursue with pleasure the rolling away and gradual fainting of the peal, until at immeasurable distance it sinks into si-

Was Man Made For Microbes?

Some contend that the earth was made for ants rather than man, since the former are so much more numerous. Others still, reading about how many million bacteria inhabit every cubic inch of air and water, are inclined to assert that the world-and man, too-was made for them. Each variety of living creature probably thinks everything made for it.-Baltimore Sun.

Two of a Kind.

"I took great pains with that pudding we had for dinner," remarked the young wife. "And so did I, my dear," rejoined

the bushand as he poured out a double dose of cholera mixture.-Chicago News.

The Novel Render.

Coddle-Whenever I see you, you are reading a novel. You don't mean to say you remember all of them? Short-Dear me, no! It's because 1 don't remember them I like to read them.-Boston Transcript.

You can always find some one to agree with you even if your conclusions are not complimentary to yourself.-Atchison Globe.

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EXPERTS WITH THE WHIP. One Man Could Crack Off a Snake's

Head at Twenty Feet. "That crabbed old German, Schopenhauer, who said the crack of a whip was like a drink from the bad place, would have found but little to complain of if he had postponed his passing for awhile," said a thoughtful awful scarce article in this age. I suppose the whip will finally pass out of existence altogether unless it is put to a new use. Of course the small riding whip, the kind which jockeys use in urging the horses they ride, will be used as long as horseflesh is used.

"But the kind of whip the old German had in mind was of a larger, longer and older type, the kind the ox more remote sections of the world. Whips of this kind generally swing easily on the end of a long handle. Frequently the handle is eight or ten feet long and is made of hickory or some wood that is supple enough to bend in the green state. The whip itplait rawhide, is from ten to fifteen feet in length, with a sea grass cracker on the end tightly twisted and knotted at spaces an inch apart. It is this article that makes the noise of which the old German pessimist complained, and a whip of this kind in the hands of an expert can be popped until it sounds like the crack of doom. In a quiet forest where timber men carry on their work this noise is even fiercer than it is in the cities.

"Tennasters in the cities still use the old whip to some extent, but it is gradually going out, and the sharp crack of

the sea grass is rarely heard. "Speaking of whips, I am reminded any other class of men. I have seen at a distance of twenty feet every time hit anything they want to hit as long drivers crack off a snake's head at a distance of twenty feet, and they could do it whenever it pleased them to do

APHORISMS.

He who flatters you is your enemy.

There is no index of character so sure as the voice.-Disraeli.

Laughing cheerfulness throws sunlight on all the paths of life.-Richter. There is no calamity which right words will not begin to redress.-Em-

Experience is a keen knife that hurts while it extracts the cataract that blinds.-De Linod.

To forgive a fault in another is more sublime than to be faultless oneself.-George Sand. Hope is so sweet with its golden

wings that at his last sigh man still implores it.-De la Pena. It is a great misfortune not to have enough wit to speak well or not enough

It is better to suffer wrong than do ed than not to trust.—Samuel Johnson.

Juvenile Logie,

The logic of childhood is frequently as convincing as it is refreshingly original. Mrs. L's little daughter is very much given to reasoning things out for herself and seldom fails to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion. Some weeks ago she gave a party to a number of little friends, and when the time came for them to go home she politely asked them if they had enjoyed themselves. All replied in the affirmative with the exception of one conscientious maid. who said frankly, "No, I didn't; I had a horrid time," "Did you really?" said in an orchestra - below the zero of the small hostess in a puzzled tone. "I don't see why. I had a lovely time; apprehension of musical sound ceases but, then," she added reflectively, "I suppose I ought to, 'cos, you see, it was my party."-Brooklyn Eagle,

Getting to the Point.

John (sheepishly)-1-1 s'pose you'll be gittin' married some time? Betty (with a frightened air)-Oh, I

dare say I shall some time. "I dare say I'll git married too." "Oh." "P'r'aps we might both git married

at the same time." "Wouldn't it be awful, John if the parson should make a mistake and marry us to each other?"

"I-I shouldn't mind." "No; neither should I, to tell you the truth, John."

Bugpipes In Nero's Time.

Bagpipes are generally ascribed to Scotland, where they have been in use for a long time, but it was an instrument upon which the ancient Greeks and Romans played. Nero is said to have performed upon it, and an old piece of Grecian sculpture represents a player on the bagpipes dressed in the fashion that is known today as the highland costume.

His Only Comment.

"One wife too many!" exclaimed Mrs. Wederly as she glanced at the headlines of her husband's paper. "I sup pose that is an account of the doings of ome bigamist."

"Not necessarily, my dear," replied her husband, without daring to look up.-Toronto Moon.

Mistaken Identity.

"I think I have met you before. Aren't you timekeeper for the Bloss & Goss company?" "No, sir: I am a singer of topical

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THE PRINCIPLE OF REST.

A Few Practical Hints That Americans Should Consider.

The principle of rest is the principle of relaxation, a temporary cessation or suspension of energy from any part or from all of the body. Absolute rest implies the complete "letting go" of all tension, mental, nervous and physical. man, "for the whip is getting to be an All are involved to some extent in every act of our daily life, nor can they be entirely separated.

Let us see what will happen if we place the body in a reclining position so comfortably arranged that absolute physical repose would seem inevitable. Then let the mind take hold of some | problem and concentrate on it until all the mental energy is aroused. This energy is unconsciously communicated driver uses even now in some of the to the nervous system, and soon the entire physical self is in a highly tensed condition. Few people realize this until their attention is called to it. They think they must be resting when the body is inactive. It is not necessary that the body be exercising in order to be tense. A set of muscles may be motionless. This difference between a tense muscle and a muscle entirely relaxed or devitalized is what I want you to thoroughly understand, for this tense condition brought on by mental and nervous strain and often held without relaxation for hours produces greater fatigue than many forms of exercise that are more physical in execution

Remember always that the mind is the great controlling power, and it is only when the mind becomes as nearly as possible a perfect blank that the body can rest satisfactorily. If the body would rest, the mind must rest also. In other words, "think rest;" "let completely. Rose Edson-Helme in Pil-

LEAPING POWERS OF DEER. Fence Seven Feet High Cleared by

Jump Up a Steep Hill. I was sitting with the stalker among the rocks on the top of the high ridge which divides the forest of Glen Quoich from Cluny. We were quietly eating our lunch when we saw three stags coming toward the march fence a few hundred yards below us. They were not alarmed but, as the stalker said, "moving to theirselves."

The first two, without increasing their pace, jumped clean over the high deer fence. The third struck the top wire and was thrown head over heels backward. He went away a few yards, took a run, cleared it easily and joined his comrades.

Now, a story about Japanese deer Several of them got out of a deer park on a mountain and into a large wood adjoining. We entired them with a train of outs into a walled paddock off the deer park, having left a gap in the four inch wire netting of the deer fence at the edge of the wood.

When they were safely in, a man went round and closed the gap, and we opened the large gate into the deer park, thinking we could easily move them in. Not a bit of it. Directly the beaters began they charged them and wood again.

This paling is seven feet high and is on very steeply sloping ground. They had to jump up hill, and it seemed to me so utterly incredible that any animal could jump such a height that I went to look at the place, and there sure enough the keeper showed me the hairs of the deer on the ton wire where they struck it going over, and the men said they saw one deer tumble down on landing at the other side.-Country

London's Crossings.

You can cross the three most dangerous streets in Manchester on an average 3,000 times in safety, but the three thousand and first time you will be run over. If you are not, somebody else will be in your place, for the average a year never fails by more than a point or two either there or in London. But in London you can only pass the crossing at Blackfriars bridge, which is the most dangerous spot in the city, 550 times. You may be the lucky person who escapes by chance, but somebody is certain to suffer to keep the average up, counting the accidents over a space of five years up to date. Next comes the Mansion House crossing, with a 700 to one chance.—London Answers.

A Hero's Tribute

Lincoln said of Washington: Washington is the mightiest name on earth, long since mightlest in the cause of civil liberty, still mightiest in moral reformation. On that name a eulogy is expected. It cannot be. To add brightness to the sun or glory to the name of Washington is alike impossible: let none attempt it. In solemn awe pronounce the name and in naked, deathless splendor leave it shining on.

Knew All About It. Teacher-What is the meaning of

"parvenu?" Johnny-An upstart. Teacher-Give a sentence in which the word is used.

Johnny-When a man sits down on a bent pin, he gives a violent parvenu.-Chicago Tribune.

Precisely That. Braggsby-1 tell you I'm overwork-

ing. I am turning out an awful lot of work just now. Nocker-That's just exactly the word your employer used in describing your

present work.—Baltimore American.

Jenlousy. Nell-He isn't very handsome, but his face lights up well. Belle-Is he so lantern jawed as all

that?-Philadelphia Record. Mr. Joseph Pominville, of Stillwater, Minn., after having spent over \$2,000 with the best doctors for stomach trouble, without relief, was advised by his druggist, Mr. Alex. Richards, to tryla box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. He did so, and is a well man to-day. If troubled with indigestion, bad taste in the mouth, lack of appetite or consti-pation, give these Tablets a trial, and you are certain to be more than pleased with the result. For sale at 25 cents per box by Dr. Dunn, Tionesta, W. G. Wilkins,

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WHEN THE SEAL DINES.

Jugglery That Would Put the Human Performer to Shame. The keeper who was going to feed the seal had reached the edge of the tank and was holding the fish tantalizingly at arm's length over the water. The seal was all interest and attention. Round and round the tank he darted, flipflapping, sidewheeling, leaping out of the water and performing all sorts of aquatic stunts, all the while keeping up his guttural yelpings. There was no question about his appetite. He was hungry and didn't much care who knew it, and his beady little eyes were friends with him.

all intent on the keeper's every move. "Why don't yer t'row him a feesh?" demanded a boy spectator, growing the cage and did not sleep until be was impatient at the keeper's leisurely ac-"All right, my boy; here goes!" And,

the air went one of the fishes, dropping

toward the center of the oval. The seal at the time was at the extreme end of the tank, considerably beneath the surface, but even there he self, which is generally four and six nervously tense and yet be apparently must have been on the alert, for hardly had the fish left the keeper's hand when swish! a lightninglike somersault, a shadowy streak through the tank, and quicker even than thought the seal's gaping, whiskered jaws and a length of his eely looking neck were protruding from the water immediately under the tidbit, which disappeared

into his willing maw to the accompani-

ment of an intensely appreciative

smack. It was all so quick and well calculated that the auditors stood amazed. Without even the suspicion of a miss the performance was repeated as rapidly as the keeper could toss the fish. But the fun, fast and furious while it go" of everything mental and relax lasted, is soon over with, and the seal, after he had his fill, immediately lost all interest in his surroundings and waddled out on to his platform and curled up for an afternoon snooze .-Philadelphia Ledger.

FIRST PICTURE BOOK.

The Daring Idea First Conceived by Johann Comenius.

Three hundred years ago a German savant had a wonderful vision. At that time children were taught to read by force of arms, so to speak, through hardships and with bitter toll on the part of teacher and of child. It seems curious that the first real step toward lightening the labor of children as they climb the ladder of learning was the product of the imagination not of some fond mother or gentlewoman teacher, but of a bewigged and betided university doctor.

It was Johann Comenius, however, who first conceived the daring idea that children could be taught by the ald of the memory and the imagination working together, "by means," as he quaintly expressed it, "of sensuous impressions conveyed to the eye, so that visual objects may be made the medium of expressing moral lessons to the young mind and of impressing those lessons upon the memory." In other words, the good Herr Doctor had the bright idea that ricture books could be useful to children. Comenius made jumped the wire paling back into the his first picture book and called it the "Orbis Pictus." It contains rude woodcuts representing objects in the natural world, as trees and animals, with little lessons about the pictures. It is a quaint volume and one that would cause the average modern child not a little astonishment were it placed be-

fore him. As truly, however, as that term may be applied to any other book that has since been written, the "Orbis Pictus" was an epoch making book. It is the precursor of all children's picture books, and modern childhood has great cause to bless the name of Comenius .-Household.

Spurzheim and the Students.

Spurzheim, the father of modern phrenology, while staying in Edinburgh, where he had a great vogue, was the victim of a laughable boax. A number of medical students submitted for the opinion of the phrenologist the plaster cast of what they said was a remarkably formed human skull. As a matter of fact it was the model of a big Swedish turnip (called in the Scottish tongue "neip"), and of this Spurzhelm gravely wrote out the phrenological character. A few days later the following skit appeared in the leading journal of the city:

The tide of fame to Spurzheim's name Rolled o'er the German deep; The tide was spring; but, fickle thing, It now has ebb'd to "neip."

Why the Editor Skipped. An editor of a small American paper recently stated that he had been kissed by one of the most beautiful married women in the town. He promised to tell her name in the first issue of his paper next month. In two weeks the circulation of his newspaper doubled. But when he gave the name of his wife he had to leave town.-Fourth Estate.

Not Worth the Trouble. "You write your first name very well indeed, Miss Pinkie," criticised the writing teacher, "but you make a sad botch of the Johnson part of it." "What is the difference, Mr. Spen eer?" asked the pretty girl. "I expect to change the Johnson part of it some

Great Institution. Lady-Education is a great thing. Sandy-Indeed it is, mum. How could ever know what dev had fer free

lunch if I didn't know how to read?-

day."-Chicago Tribune.

St. Louis Republic.

A cruel story runs on wheels, and every hand oils the wheels as they run. -Eliot.

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flyity. A curious incident accurred in New Orleans some years ago, when a bear was lowered into the cage of an old African lion. The keepers supposed it would be torn to pieces, and many people assembled to see the barbarous exhibition. The bear at once assumed the offensive and rushed at the lion, but, to the amazement of the onlookers, the lion, hitherto regarded as extremely savage and dangerous, placed his paw upon the bear's head as if to express his pity and tried to make

Taking the bear under his protection, the lion suffered no one to approach exhausted, so closely did he watch over his new friend. He even allowed him to share his food.

sulting the action to the word, up into The two animals would lie down side by side, the lion usually with a protective paw over the bear. His delight in companionship was manifested unmistakably, and his captors were humane enough to let the two share the same cage.-Kausas City Independent.

> Powdering the ilnir. In 1795 the mayor of Yarmouth,

England, issued the following proclamation: "Owing to the present enormous price of corn and the alarming apprehension of a scarcity in that most necessary article, many towns throughout the kingdom have set the laudable example of leaving off for a time the custom of wearing powder in their hair, by which means a great quantity of wheat must infallibly be saved to the nation, and if the price be not reduced it may at least be prevented from increasing. We, therefore, the mayor, Justices and principal inhabltants of Great Yarmouth, do recommend the example as worthy imitation, and we flatter ourselves the military will not hesitate to adopt it, being fully convinced that appearances are at all times to be sacrificed to the publie weal, and that in doing this they will really do road."

Gold and Silver Beetles.

The most remarkable gold beetles in the world are found in Central America. The head and wing cases are bril liantly pollshed with a luster as of gold itself. To sight and touch they have all the appearance of that metal. Oddly enough, another species from the same region looks like solid silver freshly burnished

What Caused the indigestion. "Mollie Erewn has a model husband." "In what way?" "Whenever he doesn't ent anything

she asks him if the cooking isn't as good as his mother's." "And what does he say?" "He says he has no doubt it is, but that his indigestion has quite unfitted

him to be a competent judge."-Cieveland Plain Dealer. George's Kind Permission, "Mary." her father called downstairs,

'lust as's your young man if he doesn't think it's pretty near bedtime." "Yes, papa," replied the sweet girl, after a pause. "George says if you're sleepy, go to bed by all means."-Tole-

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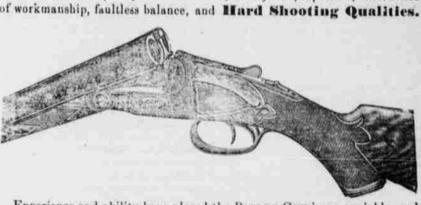
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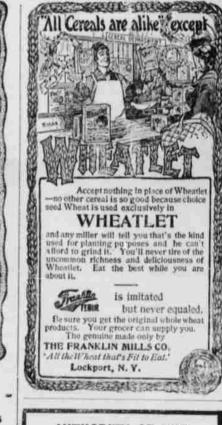
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